TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

SB 2710 - HB 2782

March 2, 2010

SUMMARY OF BILL: Extends from 15 to 28 days the period of time in which a hearing must be held on an ex parte order of protection in cases of domestic abuse. Requires an officer who has probable cause to believe a person is a victim of domestic abuse, stalking, or sexual assault to make a complete report and file the report with the officer's supervisor. The supervisor is required to review the report and forward to a magistrate or judge for issuance of an order of protection. A court may issue an ex parte order of protection upon good cause shown.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Revenue - Not Significant State Expenditures - Net Impact - Not Significant

Increase Local Revenue – Not Significant Local Expenditures – Net Impact - Not Significant

Assumptions:

- There could be a reduction in continuances of hearings for orders of protection. Any decrease will not result in a significant decrease in expenditures of state and local courts.
- There could be an increase in the number of ex parte orders of protections. Any cost can be accommodated within existing state and local judicial resources without an increased appropriation.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James W. White, Executive Director

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